

# CHILD NUTRITION AND FOOD DISTRIBUTION DIVISION MANAGEMENT BULLETIN

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TO:	All Public and Private Schools Participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs County Superintendents of Schools Diocesan Superintendents of Schools	ISSUE DATE: April 1999
FROM:	Nutrition Standards Unit	
ATTENTION:	Food Service Directors	
SUBJECT:	Mandatory Health Inspections	

This management bulletin transmits information regarding a new United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requirement for mandatory health inspections.

The Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-336) requires that all schools participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) obtain one annual food-safety inspection by state or local agencies responsible for food-safety inspections covering their food service operations. However, specific regulations pertaining to the required health inspection have yet to be developed by the USDA.

The California Department of Education's Food-Safety Task Force, composed of representatives from the Department of Health Services, child nutrition programs, and food industries, will be discussing the implementation of this new requirement in California. We will provide you with further information as it becomes available.

If you have questions regarding this management bulletin, you may contact Cindy Schneider, Child Nutrition Consultant, Nutrition Standards Unit, at (916) 322-1566, [cschneid@cde.ca.gov](mailto:cschneid@cde.ca.gov), or (800) 952-5609.

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